

**TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2015**

***Present: Selectmen: Michael Woodworth, Jamie Thompson and Chris Hutchins.
Others include: Jeff Feenstra', Gerard Porteus, Scott Wachsmuth, Deanna Wachsmuth, and Clay Mitchell.***

Call to order at 6:58 pm.

The Selectmen reviewed and signed:

- Checks Pd 03/27/15: Accts. Pay. Manifest - \$8,392.78
Payroll Manifest - \$8,624.39
- Cr.Crd Pd 04/03/15: Accts. Pay. Manifest - \$5,948.99
- Checks Pd 04/03/15: Accts. Pay. Manifest - \$6,492.53
Payroll Manifest - \$8,672.61
- Cemetery Trustees Stipends
- Primex – Schedule of Exposures
- 2015 Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Jamie Thompson was sworn in by Sue McKinnon as Selectman for a 3 year term ending March 2018. The following representative positions for the Selectmen will remain as follows:

Michael Woodworth:	Chairman
	Conservation Commission
Jamie Thompson:	Planning Board
Chris Hutchins:	Welfare Officer

The Board reviewed, approved and signed the following 2015 Appointments:

- ✓ Eugene Perreault Health Officer
- ✓ Ray P. Buxton, Jr. Assistant Fire Chief
- ✓ David Mason Conservation Commission Member
- ✓ Allison Watts Conservation Commission Member
- ✓ Michael Price Planning Board Member
- ✓ Michael Todd Planning Board Member
- ✓ Scott Wachsmuth Alternate Planning Board Member
- ✓ Oakes K. Lawrence Zoning Board of Adjustment Member

Jamie made a motion to approve the above listed 2015 Appointments, seconded by Chris. All were in favor and the motion passed.

At 7:06pm, the Board of Selectmen, by motion of Selectmen Woodworth, seconded by Selectmen Thompson and in accordance with RSA91-A:3(I), to enter into a non-public session for purpose of legal matter [RSA91-A:3(II)(e)]. By roll call vote the Board passed the motion: Woodworth-Affirmative; Thompson – Affirmative; Hutchins – Affirmative

At 7:07pm, the Board entered into non-public session.

At 7:22pm, the Board left non-public session and entered into public session.

At 7:23 pm, the Board of Selectmen, by motion of Selectmen Woodworth, in accordance with RSA91-A:3(III), that the minutes will not be disclosed because divulgence of the information would adversely affect the consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or filed against the public body or any subdivision. All were in favor and the 2/3 requirement for affirmative vote was met.

Gerard Porteus, Scott Wachsmuth, and Deanna Wachsmuth met with the Selectmen, Jeff Feenstra – Planning Board and Clay Mitchell – Town Planner to discuss farming at 301 Piscassic Rd. Deanna & Scott Wachsmuth submitted their letter of concerns to the Board. Copies of the BCM Environmental & Land Law, PLLC Letter dated 3/16/2015 RE: Vernon Family Farm, 301 Piscassic Rd, Newfields / Farm Roadside Stand, were given to Scott & Deanna Wachsmuth and Gerard Porteus and Michael informed them the Board was awaiting a response from the Town Attorney. The Planning Board will be expecting Jeremiah Vernon to come before them for a site plan review.

Clay Mitchell updated the Selectmen on the progress of the Halls Mill sub-division and Tropic Star Development. Jeff Feenstra will contact Scott Mitchell for an update.

The date for the Spring Clean Up was set - May 2nd from 8 am to Noon.

The Selectmen discussed and approved an annual stipend of \$250.00 for each Cemetery Trustee for 2015. Jamie made a motion to authorize an annual stipend of \$250.00 for each of the three Cemetery Trustees, seconded by Chris. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed and signed the Schedule of Exposures from Primex for 2015.

The maintenance items for the Town Hall were discussed, for example, damage from leaks from ice dams, refinish the floor in the Town Hall and the resealing of the brick and exterior painting. A decision will be made when the bids are received.

The Selectmen discussed the Town Hall /Police Dept design without changing the Town Hall upstairs. Contact Gary Goudreau for an estimate for a revised design and Jamie will meet with Chief Reed and Mike Todd to see if they will be on board.

At 8:28pm, the Board of Selectmen, by motion of Selectmen Woodworth, seconded by Selectmen Thompson and in accordance with RSA91-A:3(I), to enter into a non-public session for purpose of personnel matter [RSA91-A:3(II)(c)]. By roll call vote the Board passed the motion: Woodworth-Affirmative; Thompson – Affirmative; Hutchins – Affirmative

At 8:29pm, the Board entered into non-public session.

At 8:35pm, the Board left non-public session and entered into public session.

At 8:36pm, the Board of Selectmen, by motion of Selectmen Woodworth, in accordance with RSA91-A:3(III), that the minutes will not be disclosed because divulgence of the information would adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a member of the Board or render the proposed action ineffective. All were in favor and the 2/3 requirement for affirmative vote was met.

Minutes of the March 17th meeting were read. Chris made a motion to accept the minutes as amended, seconded by Michael. All were in favor and the motion carried.

At 8:40pm, Chris made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jamie. The motion passed with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna C. Newman